

9 February 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR: DCS/Alien Staff

ATTENTION: ☐ ☐

SUBJECT: Contemplated Travel to the USSR by Walter
PYSKIR, the Husband of Maria Zalewska
PYSKIR.

REFERENCE: Memorandum to the Director, DCS, dated 31
January 1966, from the Chicago Field Office

1. The contents of the reference memorandum were discussed with ☐ of SR, both of whom are familiar with the case of Maria Zalewska PYSKIR. As discussed with you during our telephone conversation of today, it was decided that the following course of action should be undertaken:

a. The Milwaukee resident officer should get in touch with Maria to determine from her exactly what and how much her husband knows about her first husband and about the circumstances of her arrival in the United States. FYI: According to our files, her husband knows her maiden name and about her two sons by her previous marriage.

b. Having talked with Maria and determined how much her husband knows, contact her husband and try to dissuade him from going to the Soviet Union. Maria may want to do this herself after her visit with the Milwaukee resident officer. If she does, she should be permitted to do so. In any event, and of immediate importance, Maria's husband should be asked not to fill out the visa request questionnaire at the present time.

c. Should Maria and the Milwaukee resident officer fail in their efforts to dissuade her husband from his decision to make the trip, it may be necessary to have him brought to Washington, at which time we will endeavor to impress him with the fact that he would indeed be inviting serious

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trouble for himself, for Maria, and for their relatives in the Soviet Union. Should all the above efforts fail, we might then undertake to persuade the Department of State to deny him a passport. This course of action, however, we prefer to take only as a last resort.

2. In any matters pertaining to this case, should I not be available please contact ☐ on 6508 or ☐ on 7168.

☐ Chief, SR/O/AC ☐

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P. S. Since the writing of this memorandum I have learned from you that you have been informed by the Milwaukee office that Maria's husband knows the whole story of her past, that in spite of this he still insists on going ahead with his plans. It may be that the only course of action left is for us to ask the Department of State to deny him a passport. However, since the Milwaukee resident officer is acquainted with Maria's husband and intends to talk to him personally, we shall await further word from you before any action is undertaken.

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